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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. FAT/GB2004/004332	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 8 October 2004	U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <b>10/574998</b>
FIELD OF INVENTION Improvements In and Relating to Perforators		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Russell Vaughan Meddes; Michael John Hinton		
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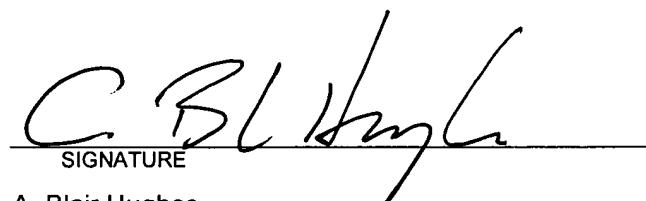
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